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CONDUCTING TUBE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

As a means of complying with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, and in accordance with 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, Applicant(s), through the undersigned attorney, submits this Information Disclosure Statement. The patents, publications or other information submitted herewith are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and copies are attached, excluding U.S. patents and publications.

An English abstract translation for German Patent No. DE 199 17 196 A1 is enclosed. European Patent No. EP 0 781 161 (copy not available) is the PCT National Publication of WO 96/08305 and is equivalent to U.S. Patent No. 5,685,989. German Patent No. DE 199 17 197 C1 is equivalent to U.S. Patent No. 6,827,698 B1. German Patent No. DE 195 28 907 C1 is equivalent to U.S. Patent No. 5,830,365 A1. The patents and publications listed on Form PTO-



1449 were cited in the specification, an International Search Report (ISR) and a International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER) in a corresponding patent application. Copies of the ISR and IPER are enclosed. The Examiner is requested to make these references of record in the file of this application.

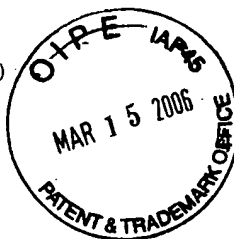
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